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SUBJECT: EUROPEAN PRESS QUESTIONS US ATTITUDE ON EC-ARAB
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THE US MISSION TO THE EC REPORTS THAT MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE AND SOPHISTICATED MEMBERS OF THE BRUSSELS PRESS CORPS ARE QUESTIONING WHETHER THE US, AND SPECIFICALLY SECRETARY KISSINGER, IS PRESSURING EC MEMBERS NOT TO FOLLOW THE FRENCH LEAD ON EC-ARAB COOPERATION BECAUSE IT RUNS COUNTER TO THE US PERCEPTION OF SOLUTIONS TO THE ENERGY PROBLEM AND TO US LEADERSHIP ROLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

THE INCREASING TENDENCY BY EUROPEAN JOURNALISTS TO VIEW THE SECRETARY'S MARCH 3-4 VISIT TO BONN AS AN ATTEMPT TO SCUTTLE EC-ARAB COOPERATION IS REFLECTED IN A MARCH 3 FRONT PAGE EDITORIAL IN LE MONDE AND A MARCH 1 ARTICLE IN LE FIGARO, WHICH MAKE THE

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